

Report  
of the  
Examination of  
Integrity Mutual Insurance Company  
Appleton, Wisconsin  
As of December 31, 2003

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Honorable Jorge Gomez  
Commissioner of Insurance  
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Commissioner:

In accordance with your instructions, a compliance examination has been made of  
the affairs and financial condition of:

INTEGRITY MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY  
Appleton, Wisconsin

and this report is respectfully submitted.

## I. INTRODUCTION

The previous examination of Integrity Mutual Insurance Company (the company or Integrity) was conducted in 1999 as of December 31, 1998. The current examination covered the intervening period ending December 31, 2003, and included a review of such 2004 transactions as deemed necessary to complete the examination.

The examination consisted of a review of all major phases of the company's operations and included the following areas:

- History
- Management and Control
- Corporate Records
- Conflict of Interest
- Fidelity Bonds and Other Insurance
- Employees' Welfare and Pension Plans
- Territory and Plan of Operations
- Affiliated Companies
- Growth of Company
- Reinsurance
- Financial Statements
- Accounts and Records
- Data Processing

Emphasis was placed on the audit of those areas of the company's operations accorded a high priority by the examiner-in-charge when planning the examination. Special attention was given to the action taken by the company to satisfy the recommendations and comments made in the previous examination report.

The planning and examination of Integrity Mutual Insurance Company was coordinated with the Ohio Department of Insurance examination of Grange Mutual Casualty Company and its affiliates. In accordance with office standards, the examiner placed reliance on the work performed by the Ohio Department of Insurance when deemed appropriate.

The section of this report titled "Summary of Examination Results" contains comments and elaboration on those areas where adverse findings were noted or where unusual situations existed. Comment on the remaining areas of the company's operations is contained in the examination work papers.

The company is annually audited by an independent public accounting firm as prescribed by s. Ins 50.05, Wis. Adm. Code. An integral part of this compliance examination was the review of the independent accountant's work papers. Based on the results of the review of these work papers, alternative or additional examination steps deemed necessary for the completion of this examination were performed. The examination work papers contain documentation with respect to the alternative or additional examination steps performed during the course of the examination.

## II. HISTORY AND PLAN OF OPERATION

The company was organized and commenced business in 1933 as a nonassessable mutual property and casualty insurer.

On December 19, 2001, Integrity affiliated with Grange Mutual Casualty Company (Grange) of Columbus, Ohio. Under the affiliation, Integrity remains a separate entity and operates independently from Grange.

In 2003, the company was licensed in and wrote direct premium in the following states:

Wisconsin	\$52,796,687	60.7%
Minnesota	23,703,459	27.2
Iowa	<u>10,519,548</u>	<u>12.1</u>
Total	<u>\$87,019,694</u>	<u>100.0%</u>

The major products marketed by Integrity include homeowner's multiple peril, commercial multiple peril, worker's compensation, private passenger auto liability, and auto physical damage. The major products are marketed through approximately 2,000 independent agents operating out of 151 agencies. Agents are compensated according to the following commission schedule:

Auto Lines (other than non-standard)	15%
Nonstandard Auto	10% - 12.5%
Homeowner's	20%
Inland Marine	20%
Fire	20%
Liability Lines (except Garage and Umbrella Liability)	20%
Business Owners and other specified commercial coverages	15% – 20%
Worker's Compensation	5% – 7%
All Other Lines	15%

IMIC has two profit-sharing plans for its agents. For all lines other than nonstandard auto, the plan is offered to agents writing a minimum of \$200,000 of premium in a calendar year. The bonuses paid are based on a combination of 1-year and 3-year results and agents generating sufficient profit earn bonuses ranging from 0.2% - 8.67% of their net earned premium. For nonstandard auto, the plan is offered to agents writing a minimum of \$50,000 of premium in a

calendar year. The bonuses paid are based on 1-year results and agents generating sufficient profit earn bonuses ranging from 0.5% - 6.0% of net earned premium.

The following table is a summary of the net insurance premiums written by the company in 2003. The growth of the company is discussed in the "Financial Data" section of this report.

<b>Line of Business</b>	<b>Direct Premium</b>	<b>Reinsurance Assumed</b>	<b>Reinsurance Ceded</b>	<b>Net Premium</b>
Fire	\$ 287,865	\$ 875,258	\$ 287,865	\$ 875,258
Allied lines	191,004	513,548	191,004	513,548
Farmowner's multiple peril		800,608		800,608
Homeowner's multiple peril	11,506,614	6,785,183	11,506,614	6,785,183
Commercial multiple peril	17,048,979	1,379,940	17,048,979	1,379,940
Inland marine	1,266,543	660,138	1,266,543	660,138
Earthquake		110,144		110,144
Group accident and health		9,801		9,801
Other accident and health		152		152
Worker's compensation	22,859,180	1,416,821	23,140,963	1,135,038
Other liability - occurrence	2,034,695	1,293,062	2,034,695	1,293,062
Other liability – claims made		34,696		34,696
Products liability - occurrence	20,957	144,295	20,957	144,295
Private passenger auto liability	12,599,892	13,111,473	12,599,893	13,111,472
Commercial auto liability	6,089,362	1,994,870	6,089,363	1,994,869
Auto physical damage	13,114,603	10,338,291	13,114,602	10,338,292
Burglary and theft		15,493		15,493
<b>Total All Lines</b>	<b><u>\$87,019,694</u></b>	<b><u>\$39,483,773</u></b>	<b><u>\$87,301,478</u></b>	<b><u>\$39,201,989</u></b>

Integrity participates in a reinsurance agreement wherein 100% of the net premiums, losses, loss adjustment expenses and underwriting expenses of all the companies are pooled and redistributed. In 2003, Integrity accounted for 8.56% of the direct premiums written by the five-member pool. Their portion of the pool is 4%.

### III. MANAGEMENT AND CONTROL

#### Board of Directors

The board of directors consists of nine members. The board is divided into two classes. The first class of directors (Class 1) contains five directors from Grange, and the second class of directors (Class 2) contains four directors from Integrity. Most actions taken by the board of directors require a simple majority vote as long as a quorum is present. A quorum would be a majority of directors (five) with at least one director from each class present. For more complex or larger scope items (i.e., merger, dissolution, etc.), a super majority of directors is needed to take action. For a super majority, at least seven directors would constitute a quorum and all seven would have to cast an affirmative vote.

Directors are elected annually to fill expiring terms and serve for four-year terms. Officers are elected at the board's annual meeting. The board members currently receive a total of \$20,000 annually for serving on any board in the holding company system.

Currently the board of directors consists of the following persons:

<b>Name and Residence</b>	<b>Principal Occupation</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Douglas P. Buth Appleton, WI	Chief Executive Officer Appleton Papers Inc.	2008
Roger A. Formisano Madison, WI	Director, UW Madison School of Bus.	2008
Franklin C. Jesse Minneapolis, MN	Attorney, Gray, Plant & Mooty	2008
Randall J. Montelone Columbus, OH	Chief Financial Officer, Grange Insurance	2006
Michael V. Parrott Ft. Wayne, IN	President, ICON, Inc.	2006
Thomas S. Stewart Columbus, OH	Retired	2006
Philip W. Stichter Columbus, OH	Director, Griffith Foundation	2006
Richard J. Schinler Appleton, WI	President & Chief Executive Officer Integrity Mutual Insurance	2008
Philip H. Urban Columbus, OH	President & Chief Executive Officer Grange Insurance	2006

### Officers of the Company

The officers serving at the time of this examination are as follows:

Name	Office	2003 Compensation
Richard J. Schinler	President / Chief Executive Officer	\$308,720
Daniel J. Schmidt	Vice President – Insurance Operations	151,852
Mary Jo Buchberger	Vice President – Finance	143,620
Timothy L. Roberts	Vice President – Claims	144,671
Richard A. Maronek	Vice President – Information Systems	109,386
Mary A. Stadel	Vice President – Human Resources	108,053

### Committees of the Board

The company's bylaws allow for the formation of certain committees by the board of directors. The committees at the time of the examination are listed below:

#### Human Resources Committee

Thomas Stewart (Chair)  
Douglas Buth  
Philip Stichter  
Richard Schinler  
Philip Urban

#### Audit Committee

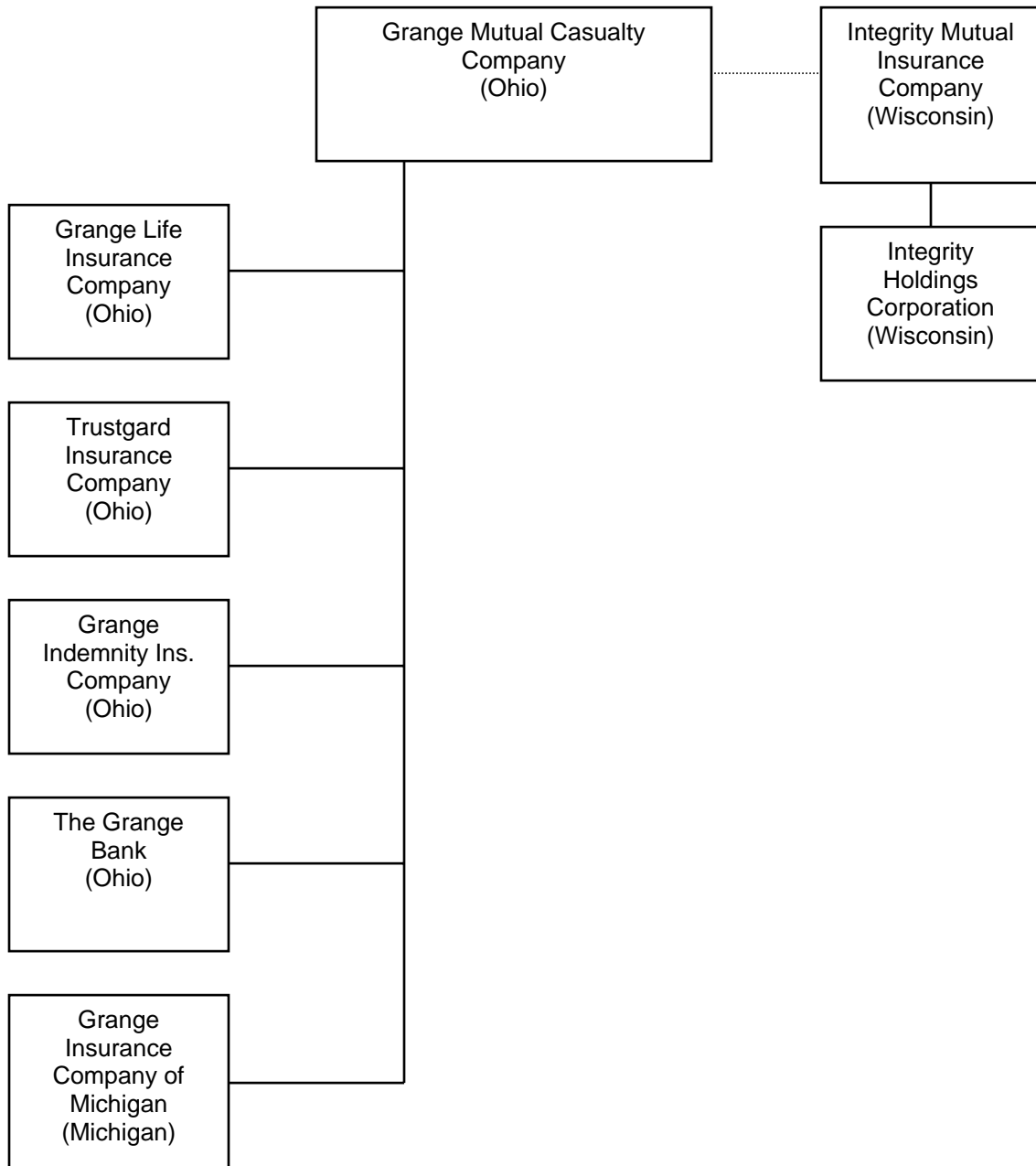
Roger Formisano (Chair)  
Franklin Jesse, Jr.  
Michael Parrott  
Randall Montelone  
Richard Schinler  
Philip Urban



#### IV. AFFILIATED COMPANIES

Integrity is a member of a holding company system. The organizational chart below depicts the relationships among the affiliates in the group. A brief description of the significant affiliates follows the organizational chart.

**Organizational Chart  
As of December 31, 2003**



### **Grange Mutual Casualty Company**

Grange Mutual Casualty Company became an insurance holding company system by incorporating GM Premium Budget Incorporated, an Ohio corporation, a wholly owned stock subsidiary, on October 5, 1962. Grange Mutual Casualty Company is a mutual property and casualty insurance company whose members are its policyholders. Its main lines of business include private passenger auto liability, auto physical damage, and homeowner's multiple peril. In 2003, Grange Mutual Casualty Company accounted for 82.08% of the direct premiums written by the five-member pool. As of December 31, 2003, the audited financial statements of Grange Mutual Casualty Company reported assets of \$1,177,274,244, liabilities of \$707,978,647, and capital and surplus of \$469,295,597. Operations for 2003 produced net income of \$38,112,733.

### **Trustgard Insurance Company**

Trustgard Insurance Company was organized on July 1, 1981. Its lines of business include private passenger auto liability, auto physical damage, and worker's compensation insurance. In 2003, Trustgard Insurance Company accounted for 2.46% of the direct premiums written by the five-member pool. As of December 31, 2003, the audited financial statements of Trustgard Insurance Company reported assets of \$43,289,953, liabilities of \$28,600,016, and capital and surplus of \$14,689,937. Operations for 2003 produced net income of \$1,936,758.

### **Grange Indemnity Insurance Corporation**

Grange Indemnity Insurance Corporation was organized on March 10, 1995. Its lines of business include private passenger auto liability and auto physical damage. In 2003, Grange Indemnity Insurance Corporation accounted for 5.07% of the direct premiums written by the five-member pool. As of December 31, 2003, the audited financial statements of Grange Indemnity Insurance Corporation reported assets of \$58,120,749, liabilities of \$39,301,503, and capital and surplus of \$18,819,246. Operations for 2003 produced net income of \$2,654,005.

### **Grange Insurance Company of Michigan**

Grange Insurance Company of Michigan was organized on April 23, 2001. Its main lines of business include private passenger auto liability, auto physical damage, and homeowner's multiple peril. In 2003, Grange Insurance Company of Michigan accounted for 1.83% of the direct

premiums written by the five-member pool. As of December 31, 2003, the audited financial statements of Grange Insurance Company of Michigan reported assets of \$28,738,311, liabilities of \$16,551,005, and capital and surplus of \$12,187,306. Operations for 2003 produced net income \$1,637,368.

**Agreements with Affiliates**

Integrity has a cost-sharing agreement with Grange Mutual Casualty Company. Under the terms of the agreement, Integrity and Grange agree to provide services to each other as requested at actual cost and usage.

Integrity also has a pooling agreement with Grange Mutual Casualty Company. See section captioned "Reinsurance" for a description of the agreement.

## V. REINSURANCE

The company's reinsurance treaties are summarized below. All contracts contain an insolvency clause, intermediary clause, errors and omissions clause, arbitration clause and a service of suit clause applicable to foreign reinsurers, which meet the guidelines prescribed by the National Association of Insurance Commissioners.

### **Affiliated Pooling Agreement**

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|------------------------|---|
| 1. Reinsurer:          | Various Affiliated Fire and Casualty Insurers   |
| Type of contract:      | Intercompany Reinsurance pooling agreement  |
| Effective date:        | January 1, 2002   |
| Term:                  | Continuous  |
| Business covered:      | All Lines   |
| Company retention:     | Integrity cedes 100% of its underwriting results after cessions to nonaffiliated reinsurers and assumes 4% of the group's underwriting results  |
| Pooling participation: | 88% for Grange Mutual Casualty Company, 4% for Trustgard Insurance Company, 2% for Grange Indemnity Insurance Company, 2% for Grange Insurance Company of Michigan, and 4% for Integrity Mutual Insurance Company |

### **Reinsurance Ceded**

Grange Mutual Casualty Company participates in all contracts with the exception of the contracts with Everest Reinsurance Company and the MN Workers Compensation Reinsurance Association. The following reinsurance contracts were in effect during the period under examination, through which Integrity ceded its property and casualty business:

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| 1. Reinsurer:      | General Reinsurance Corporation  |
| Type of contract:  | Excess of loss   |
| Effective date:    | January 1, 2004  |
| Term:              | Continuous   |
| Business covered:  | A) Property business defined as insurance classified in the NAIC form of annual statement as fire, allied lines, inland marine, commercial multiple peril, homeowner's multiple peril and farmowner's multiple peril |
| Company retention: | A) First \$1,000,000 of losses, each occurrence  |

- Reinsurance limits: A) 100% of \$2,000,000 excess of \$1,000,000, not to exceed \$4,000,000 all losses, each occurrence
- Business covered: B) Liability business defined as insurance classified in the NAIC form of annual statement as private passenger and commercial auto no-fault (personal injury protection), other private passenger and commercial auto liability (including uninsured and underinsured motorists), other liability, commercial multiple peril, homeowner's multiple peril, and farmowner's multiple peril
- Company retention: B) First \$1,000,000 of losses, each occurrence
- Reinsurance limits: B) 100% of \$4,000,000 excess of \$1,000,000, each occurrence, not to exceed \$15,000,000 all losses, each occurrence
2. Reinsurer: Various
- Type of contract: Casualty Clash – Excess of Loss
- Effective date: January 1, 2004
- Term: Continuous
- Intermediary: Gen Re Intermediaries Corporation
- Business covered: A) Liability business defined as insurance classified in the NAIC form of annual statement as private passenger and commercial auto no-fault (personal injury protection), other private passenger and commercial auto liability (including uninsured and underinsured motorists), other liability, commercial multiple peril, homeowner's multiple peril, and farmowner's multiple peril
- Company retention: A) \$5,000,000 of ultimate net loss, per occurrence
- Reinsurance limits: A) 100% of \$5,000,000 excess of \$5,000,000, each occurrence
- Business covered: B) Worker's Compensation (all states other than Minnesota)
- Company retention: B) First \$500,000 of losses, each occurrence
- Reinsurance limits: B) Layer 1: 100% of \$500,000 in excess of \$500,000, each occurrence  
B) Layer 2: 100% of \$9,000,000 in excess of \$1,000,000, each occurrence  
B) Layer 3: 100% of \$10,000,000 in excess of \$10,000,000, each occurrence
3. Reinsurer: Workers Compensation Reinsurance Association
- Type of contract: Excess of Loss – Mandatory reinsurance pool
- Effective date: January 1, 1998
- Term: Continuous
- Business covered: Worker's Compensation in Minnesota

- Company retention: \$360,000 per occurrence
- Reinsurance limits: No limit
4. Reinsurer: General Reinsurance Corporation
- Type of contract: Automatic Commercial Property Facultative
- Effective date: January 1, 2004
- Term: 1 year
- Business covered: Commercial property business
- Company retention: 100% of the first \$3,000,000, each occurrence
- Reinsurance limits: 100% of \$10,000,000 in excess of \$3,000,000, each occurrence
5. Reinsurer: Various
- Type of contract: Property Catastrophe Excess of Loss
- Effective date: January 1, 2004
- Term: 1 year
- Intermediary: Guy Carpenter & Company, Inc.
- Business covered: Fire, allied lines, inland marine, earthquake, homeowner's commercial and farmowner's multiple peril and auto physical damage
- Company retention: \$5,000,000 of ultimate net loss, each occurrence and 5% of excess ultimate net loss
- Reinsurance limits: Layer 1: 95% of \$7,500,000 excess of \$7,500,000  
 Layer 2: 95% of \$10,000,000 excess of \$15,000,000  
 Layer 3: 95% of \$15,000,000 excess of \$25,000,000  
 Layer 4: 95% of \$25,000,000 excess of \$40,000,000  
 Layer 5: 80% of \$35,000,000 excess of \$65,000,000  
 Layer 6: 80% of \$50,000,000 excess of \$100,000,000
6. Reinsurer: Everest Reinsurance Company
- Type of contract: Automatic Facultative
- Effective date: March 23, 1993
- Term: Continuous
- Business covered: Personal and Commercial Umbrella
- Company retention: 10% of the first \$1,000,000, each occurrence
- Reinsurance limits: 90% of the first \$1,000,000, each occurrence and 100% of \$4,000,000 in excess of \$1,000,000

## **VI. FINANCIAL DATA**

The following financial statements reflect the financial condition of the company as reported to the Commissioner of Insurance in the December 31, 2003, annual statement. Also included in this section are schedules that reflect the growth of the company, NAIC Insurance Regulatory Information System (IRIS) ratio results for the period under examination, and the compulsory and security surplus calculation. Adjustments made as a result of the examination are noted at the end of this section in the area captioned "Reconciliation of Surplus per Examination."

**Integrity Mutual Insurance Company**  
**Assets**  
**As of December 31, 2003**

	<b>Assets</b>	<b>Nonadmitted Assets</b>	<b>Net Admitted Assets</b>
Bonds	\$40,161,151	\$	\$40,161,151
Stocks:			
Preferred stocks	2,636,650		2,636,650
Common stocks	16,970		16,970
Real estate:			
Occupied by the company	2,248,347		2,248,347
Cash	3,541,089		3,541,089
Short-term investments	2,148,605		2,148,605
Investment income due and accrued	397,680		397,680
Premiums and considerations:			
Uncollected premiums and agents' balances in course of collection	6,626,310	47,093	6,579,217
Deferred premiums, agents' balances, and installments booked but deferred and not yet due	653,523	3,654	649,869
Reinsurance:			
Amounts recoverable from reinsurers	263,268		263,268
Net deferred tax asset	1,809,038	575,927	1,233,111
Electronic data processing equipment and software	100,555		100,555
Furniture and equipment, including health care delivery assets	85,352	85,352	
Write-ins for other than invested assets:			
Minimum Pension Funding	499,527	499,527	
Prepaid Expenses	7,839	7,839	
Expense Advances	400	400	
Write-ins from the overflow page	<u>45,925</u>	<u>25,015</u>	<u>20,910</u>
Total Assets	<u>\$61,242,229</u>	<u>\$1,244,807</u>	<u>\$59,997,422</u>



**Integrity Mutual Insurance Company**  
**Liabilities, Surplus, and Other Funds**  
**As of December 31, 2003**

Losses		\$14,093,408
Loss adjustment expenses		3,375,019
Commissions payable, contingent commissions, and other similar charges		507,940
Other expenses (excluding taxes, licenses, and fees)		774,014
Taxes, licenses, and fees (excluding federal and foreign income taxes)		578,768
Current federal and foreign income taxes		220,837
Unearned premiums		14,255,999
Advance premium		346,423
Dividends declared and unpaid:		
Policyholders		1,463,992
Ceded reinsurance premiums payable (net of ceding commissions)		2,414,619
Amounts withheld or retained by company for account of others		253,790
Remittances and items not allocated		49,995
Payable to parent, subsidiaries, and affiliates		2,321,984
Write-ins for liabilities:		
Reserve for Checks Written Off		<u>83,424</u>
Total Liabilities		40,740,212
Write-ins for special surplus funds:		
Guarantee Fund for Non-Assessability	\$ 1,000,000	
Unassigned funds (surplus)	<u>18,257,210</u>	
Surplus as Regards Policyholders		<u>19,257,210</u>
Total Liabilities and Surplus		<u>\$59,997,422</u>

**Integrity Mutual Insurance Company**  
**Summary of Operations**  
**For the Year 2003**

**Underwriting Income**

Premiums earned		\$37,535,216
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Deductions:

Losses incurred	\$22,090,028	
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Loss expenses incurred	3,748,997	
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Other underwriting expenses incurred	11,329,417	
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Total underwriting deductions		<u>37,168,442</u>
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Net underwriting gain		366,774
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**Investment Income**

Net investment income earned	1,791,699	
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Net realized capital gains	<u>464,236</u>	
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Net investment gain		2,255,935
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**Other Income**

Net loss from agents or premium balances charged off	(255,004)	
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Finance and service charges not included in premiums	338,952	
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Write-ins for miscellaneous income	<u>40,916</u>	
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Total other income		<u>124,364</u>
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Net income (loss) before dividends to policyholders and before federal and foreign income taxes		2,747,073
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Dividends to policyholders		<u>106,642</u>
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Net income (loss) after dividends to policyholders but before federal and foreign income taxes		2,640,431
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Federal and foreign income taxes incurred		<u>922,162</u>
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Net Income		<u>\$ 1,718,269</u>
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**Integrity Mutual Insurance Company**  
**Cash Flow**  
**For the Year 2003**

Premiums collected net of reinsurance		\$39,128,808
Net investment income		2,037,874
Miscellaneous income		<u>124,363</u>
Total		41,291,046
Benefit and loss related payments	\$21,112,980	
Commissions, expenses paid, and aggregate write-ins for deductions	14,672,211	
Dividends paid to policyholders	(385,280)	
Federal and foreign income taxes paid (recovered)	<u>221,000</u>	
Total deductions		<u>35,620,911</u>
Net cash from operations		5,670,134
Proceeds from investments sold, matured, or repaid:		
Bonds	\$12,611,029	
Stocks	4,949,266	
Real estate	649,171	
Net gains on cash and short-term investments	<u>140</u>	
Total investment proceeds	18,209,606	
Cost of investments acquired (long-term only):		
Bonds	17,519,673	
Stocks	4,004,364	
Real estate	9,505	
Miscellaneous applications	<u>2,153</u>	
Total investments acquired	<u>21,535,695</u>	
Net cash from investments		(3,326,089)
Net cash from financing and miscellaneous sources		(679,105)
<b>Reconciliation</b>		
Net change in cash and short-term investments		1,664,940
Cash and short-term investments, December 31, 2002		<u>4,024,754</u>
Cash and short-term investments, December 31, 2003		<u>\$ 5,689,694</u>

**Integrity Mutual Insurance Company**  
**Compulsory and Security Surplus Calculation**  
**December 31, 2003**

Assets				\$59,997,422
Less liabilities				<u>40,740,212</u>
Adjusted surplus				19,257,210
Annual premium:				
Individual accident and health	\$	152		
Factor		<u>15%</u>		
Total			\$	22
Group accident and health		9,801		
Factor		<u>10%</u>		
Total				980
Lines other than accident and health		39,085,393		
Factor		<u>20%</u>		
Total			<u>7,817,078</u>	
Compulsory surplus (subject to a minimum of \$2 million)				<u>7,818,080</u>
Compulsory surplus excess (or deficit)				<u>\$11,439,130</u>
Adjusted surplus (from above)				\$19,257,210
Security surplus: (140% of compulsory surplus, factor reduced 1% for each \$33 million in premium written in excess of \$10 million, with a minimum factor of 110%)				<u>10,945,312</u>
Security surplus excess (or deficit)				<u>\$ 8,311,898</u>

**Integrity Mutual Insurance Company  
Reconciliation and Analysis of Surplus  
For the 5-Year Period Ending December 31, 2003**

The following schedule is a reconciliation of total surplus during the period under examination as reported by the company in its filed annual statements:

	<b>2003</b>	<b>2002</b>	<b>2001</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>1999</b>
Surplus, beginning of year	\$17,208,014	\$15,942,203	\$14,092,867	\$16,253,438	\$15,395,743
Net income	1,718,269	1,542,432	(3,243,570)	(807,636)	1,527,025
Net unrealized capital gains or (losses)	369,763	349,349	225,079	(140,409)	(593,886)
Change in net deferred income tax	232,277	(1,594,681)	244,827	0	0
Change in nonadmitted assets	(271,113)	968,710	(65,168)	167,808	21,718
Change in excess of statutory reserves over statement reserves			0	(1,380,334)	(97,162)
Cumulative effect of changes in accounting principles			<u>4,688,168</u>		
Surplus, end of year	<u>\$19,257,210</u>	<u>\$17,208,014</u>	<u>\$15,942,203</u>	<u>\$14,092,867</u>	<u>\$16,253,438</u>

**Integrity Mutual Insurance Company  
Insurance Regulatory Information System  
For the Five-Year Period Ending December 31, 2003**

The company's NAIC Insurance Regulatory Information System (IRIS) results for the period under examination are summarized below. Unusual IRIS results are denoted with asterisks and discussed below the table.

	<b>Ratio</b>	<b>2003</b>	<b>2002</b>	<b>2001</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>1999</b>
#1	Gross Premium to Surplus	657.0%	643.0%	316.0%	338.0%	249.0%
#2	Net Premium to Surplus	204.0	152.0	256.0	280.0	182.0
#3	Change in Net Writings	50.0*	(36.0)*	4.0	33.0*	8.0
#4	Surplus Aid to Surplus	1.0	1.0	1.0	2.0	3.0
#5	Two-Year Overall Operating Ratio	98.0	107.0*	106.0*	97.0	95.0
#6	Investment Yield	3.8*	4.4*	2.2*	5.7	5.3
#7	Change in Surplus	7.0	2.0	14.0	(8.0)	7.0
#8	Liabilities to Liquid Assets	82.0	84.0	78.0	78.0	73.0
#9	Agents' Balances to Surplus	34.0	33.0	3.0	3.0	2.0
#10	One-Year Reserve Development to Surplus	(5.0)	(6.0)	(1.0)	(4.0)	1.0
#11	Two-Year Reserve Development to Surplus	(3.0)	(13.0)	(7.0)	(4.0)	(24.0)
#12	Estimated Current Reserve Deficiency to Surplus	(1.0)	(16.0)	(2.0)	33.0*	13.0

As noted earlier, in December of 2001, Grange Mutual Casualty Company affiliated with the company. The company was then added to the affiliated pooling arrangement with a 4% participation in the net retained business. Several exceptional ratios were a result of these changes.

Ratio No. 3 measures the change in writings from the prior year. The 2002 and 2003 exceptional ratios were due to first-year pooling adjustments. The exceptional ratio in 2000 was due to 1999 reinsurance adjustments based on recommendations made in the previous examination.

Ratio No. 5 measures the company's overall operating results during the past two years. The exceptional result in 2002 was attributable to the expense ratio being artificially high due to the net written premium adjustment for the first year of pooling, thus inflating the operating ratio. The exceptional result in 2001 was due to expenses associated with the affiliation. In 2001, the company had approximately \$900,000 of expenses associated with the affiliation, including consultants, attorneys, and travel.

Ratio No. 6 measures the average return on the company's investments. The exceptional investment yield is attributed to the company's conservative investment strategy, which provides traditionally lower investment returns.

Ratio No. 12 measures estimated current reserve deficiency to surplus. The exceptional result in 2000 was due to stop-loss recoverables of \$4,000,000.

#### **Growth of Integrity Mutual Insurance Company**

<b>Year</b>	<b>Admitted Assets</b>	<b>Liabilities</b>	<b>Surplus As Regards Policyholders</b>	<b>Net Income</b>
2003	\$59,997,422	\$40,740,212	\$19,257,210	\$ 1,718,269
2002	53,561,435	36,353,422	17,208,014	1,542,432
2001	57,854,410	41,912,206	15,942,203	(3,243,570)
2000	52,029,164	37,936,297	14,092,867	(807,636)
1999	49,297,989	33,044,551	16,253,438	1,527,025
1998	47,171,646	31,775,903	15,395,743	712,850

<b>Year</b>	<b>Direct Premium Written</b>	<b>Net Premium Written</b>	<b>Premium Earned</b>	<b>Loss And LAE Ratio</b>	<b>Expense Ratio</b>	<b>Combined Ratio</b>
2003	\$87,019,694	\$39,201,989	\$37,535,216	68.8%	28.9%	98.1%
2002	65,375,476	26,220,659	32,606,153	73.7	37.8	111.4
2001	50,335,080	40,880,942	39,489,138	74.9	32.4	111.9
2000	47,537,161	39,412,891	35,171,823	72.6	30.3	108.2
1999	40,396,135	29,543,085	28,496,289	60.4	35.1	100.3
1998	34,603,292	27,448,737	26,602,771	69.7	33.4	107.2

The company has grown significantly over the last five years. The company's direct premiums written have increased 151%, net premiums written have increased 43%, and premiums earned have increased 41% over the past five years. The increase is due to an increase in policyholders and an increase in rates. To sustain such growth, the company's surplus has increased 25% over the past five years.

#### **Reconciliation of Surplus per Examination**

No adjustments were made to surplus as a result of the examination. The amount of surplus reported by the company as of December 31, 2003, is accepted.

## VII. SUMMARY OF EXAMINATION RESULTS

### Compliance with Prior Examination Report Recommendations

There were seven specific comments and recommendations in the previous examination report. Comments and recommendations contained in the last examination report and actions taken by the company are as follows:

1. Reinsurance—It is recommended that when the company has a multi-year aggregate excess of loss reinsurance agreement with an experience account, under which it is obligated to pay one or more future years of reinsurance premium because the experience account is negative, the company should establish an appropriate liability for the future reinsurance premium payments.

Action—Compliance

2. Aggregate Write-Ins for Liabilities—It is recommended that the company, on all future annual statements, report suspense amounts as Remittances and Items Not Allocated in accordance with the NAIC Annual Statement Instructions - Property/Casualty.

Action—Compliance

3. Aggregate Write-Ins for Liabilities—It is recommended that the company, on all future annual statements, report advance premium amounts as either a portion of the unearned premium reserve or as an aggregate write-in for liabilities, "Advance Premium."

Action—Compliance

4. Contingent Commissions—It is recommended that the company properly report direct bill commissions unpaid as either an offset to agents' balances or uncollected premiums or as a corresponding write-in liability, in accordance with the NAIC Accounting Practices and Procedures Manual - Property/Casualty.

Action—Compliance

5. Information Technology Environment—It is recommended that the company perform periodic reviews of the current access allowed to determine if access allowed is commensurate with the employees' job description.

Action—Compliance

6. Information Technology Environment—It is recommended that the company create and document procedures for the introduction of approved code changes into the production environment and to limit all code changes in production to one person, who, ideally, does not have programming responsibilities.

Action—Compliance

7. Disaster Recovery Plan—It is recommended that the company integrate the comments listed above when updating its Disaster Recovery Plan.

Action—Noncompliance, see comments in the summary of current examination results.



## **Summary of Current Examination Results**

### **Fidelity Bond Coverage**

The review of the fidelity bond coverage revealed that the company currently has coverage up to \$500,000. The suggested minimum amount of fidelity insurance under guidelines published by the National Association of Insurance Commissioners (NAIC) in the NAIC Financial Condition Examiners' Handbook for a company of its size, on a stand-alone basis, ranges from \$700,000 to \$800,000. It is suggested that the company maintain adequate levels of fidelity bond coverage for the employees responsible for the safeguard of assets in compliance with NAIC standards.

### **Information Technology Environment**

The information technology environment for Integrity was reviewed. The company's systems are not complex and the control environment appeared to adequately secure the company's data. However, two issues of concern were noted.

First, it was revealed that the company only required forced password changes for its systems and applications every 120 days. The NAIC Financial Condition Examiners' Handbook specifies that companies should force password changes at least quarterly to reduce the likelihood of passwords being inappropriately used by others. It is recommended that the company force password changes on at least a quarterly basis for all systems and applications utilized by the company.

Second, it was revealed that the company had not formally developed an internet use policy. Internet use policies are important to identify the appropriate business usage of the internet and properly communicate these policies to the employees. It is recommended that the company develop and communicate an internet use policy to its employees.

### **Disaster Recovery Plan**

The prior examination noted that the company's disaster recovery plan had not addressed the following items:

1. The plan did not contain detailed information with respect to alternative facilities in the event the current location is damaged or destroyed.

2. The plan did not contain procedures documenting the restoration of the computer systems, or manual procedures in the event computer systems are not operational.
3. The plan did not contain documentation describing the process followed to ensure necessary supplies maintained offsite are periodically updated on at least a quarterly basis.
4. The plan does not appear to be updated in a timely manner; the plan contained out-dated material.

The current examination noted that the company had not adequately addressed the comments made in the previous examination. In addition, the company has not updated the disaster recovery plan to reflect infrastructure changes that has resulted from its affiliation with Grange. It is again recommended that the company integrate the comments listed above when updating its Disaster Recovery Plan. Once completed the plan should be tested and updated on an annual basis.

## **VIII. CONCLUSION**

On December 19, 2001, Integrity affiliated with Grange Mutual Casualty Company of Columbus, Ohio. Under the affiliation, Integrity remains a separate entity and operates independently from Grange. Integrity assumes 4% of the Grange pool.

The examination resulted in three recommendations and one suggestion. No adjustments to surplus or reclassifications were made. The company was in compliance with all but one of the recommendations made on the previous examination.

The company has grown significantly over the last five years. The company's direct premiums written have increased 151%, net premiums written have increased 43%, and premiums earned have increased 41% over the past five years. The increase is due to an increase in policyholders and an increase in rates. To sustain such growth, the company's surplus has increased 25% over the past five years.

## **IX. SUMMARY OF COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

1. Page 23 - Fidelity Bond Coverage—It is suggested that the company maintain adequate levels of fidelity bond coverage for the employees responsible for the safeguard of assets in compliance with NAIC standards.
2. Page 23 - Information Technology—It is recommended that the company force password changes on at least a quarterly basis for all systems and applications utilized by the company.
3. Page 23 - Information Technology—It is recommended that the company develop and communicate an internet use policy to its employees.
4. Page 24 - Disaster Recovery Plan—It is again recommended that the company integrate the comments listed above when updating its Disaster Recovery Plan.

## **X. ACKNOWLEDGMENT**

The courtesy and cooperation extended during the course of the examination by the officers and employees of the company are acknowledged.

In addition to the undersigned, the following representatives of the Office of the Commissioner of Insurance, State of Wisconsin, participated in the examination:

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## **XI. APPENDIX – SUBSEQUENT EVENTS**

Effective June 30, 2005, Integrity entered into a subscription agreement with its affiliate Grange Life Insurance Company (Grange Life) for the purchase of 21,000 shares of Grange Life's common stock. The aggregate purchase price was \$6,825,000 and gave Integrity a 21% ownership in Grange Life. The agreement allows or requires Integrity to sell the shares of common stock back to Grange Life or Grange Mutual Insurance Company, depending on the circumstances of the termination of the affiliation agreement.